urban transport technologies, e.g. Metro Rail and Bus Rapid Transit System (BRTS) etc. depending upon what best suits different local situations.

(d) and (e) Urban transport is a State subject. Furthermore needs for each cities are different. Further, as such the studies are conducted by different cities/State Governments and proposals submitted to the Government of India, if Central financial assistance is required.

Accidents in the country on NHs

360. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise/National Highway-wise details of accidents that occurred in the country particularly on NH-9 and NH-18;

(b) the reasons for not converting the two NHs into four lane roads so far;

(c) whether Government have formulated any plan in this regard;

(d) if so, the details of funds allotted by Government during the year 2006-07; and

(e) by when the above National Highways are to be converted into four lane?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS(SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) State-wise details of road accidents occurred on National Highways in the country during 2005 (latest available) are enclosed at Statement (*See* below). However, National Highway (NH)-wise details of road accidents are not available.

(b) and (c) NH-9 starts from Pune in Maharashtra passes through Karnataka and terminates at Machilipatnam in Andhra Pradesh and is having a total length of 873 km. NH 18 starts from Chittoor are terminates at Kurnool in Andhra Pradesh and is having a total length of 360 km. Four-laning of NH-9 an NH-18 is being considered in a phased manner depending upon traffic requirements and availability of funds.Out of the total length of 873 km of NH-9, a length of 143 km is already 4/6

lane. 31 km is in progress and 495 km is proposed under NHDP III/ BOT. As regards NH-18, out of its total length of 360 km, four laning is in progress in a length of 7 km and a length of 192 km is proposed under NHDP III.

(d) For the development of National Highways, allocation is made for the entire NH-network in the State and not NH-wise. An amount of Rs. 280.86 crore has been allocated for the development of National Highways including widening to 4/6 lane in the States of Maharashtra, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh during 2006-07.

(e) As mentioned above, it will depend upon the traffic requirements, *inter se* priority and overall availability of funds.

Statement

States/Union Territories-wise details of Road Accidents occurred on National Highways during the year 2005

Sl.No.	States	Total Accidents
1.	Andhra Pradesh	37131
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	231
3.	Assam	4258
4.	Bihar	3768
5.	Chhattisgarh	11164
6.	Goa	3577
7.	Gujarat	30515
8.	Haryana	9298
9.	Himachal Pradesh	2797
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	5664
11.	Jharkhand	5013
12.	Karnataka	40330
13.	Kerala	42295
14.	Madhya Pradesh	35123

Sl.No.	States	Total Accidents
15.	Maharashtra	72408
16.	Manipur	600
17.	Meghalaya	428
18.	Mizoram	96
19.	Nagaland	226
20.	Orissa	7593
21.	Punjab	4599
22.	Rajasthan	23115
23.	Sikkim	189
24.	Tamil Nadu	53866
25.	Tripura	657
26.	Uttarakhand	1332
27.	Uttar Pradesh	18325
28.	West Bengal	12597
	Union Territories	
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	205
2.	Chandigarh	530
3.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	127
4.	Daman & Diu	62
5.	Delhi	9351
6.	Lakshadweep	5
7.	Pondicherry	1780
	TOTAL:	439255

Road accidents in the country

361. DR. GYAN PRAKASH PILANIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state: